

National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID)

Division of AIDS (DAIDS) Funding Opportunity for Clinical Trials Units (CTUs)



A series of pre-application meetings will be held for representatives of institutions that would like to learn more about the Request for Applications (RFA) to establish Clinical Trials Units (CTUs) as part of the HIV/AIDS Clinical Trials Networks of the U.S. National Institutes of Health's Division of AIDS (NIH/DAIDS).

Led by a principal investigator and comprised of one or more clinical research sites, the CTUs will recruit, screen, enroll and follow participants from the populations most affected by HIV/AIDS for research in one or more of the following areas:

- Vaccine Research and Development
- Translational Research/Drug Development
- Optimization of Clinical Management including Co-Morbidities
- Microbicides
- Prevention of Mother-to-Child Transmission of HIV
- Prevention of HIV Infection



Domestic and international, public or private, for-profit or non-profit entities are eligible to respond to this solicitation, the second of two RFAs that will restructure NIAID's HIV/AIDS Clinical Trials Networks to better conduct and coordinate AIDS research. The first RFA, released in November 2004, will establish Leadership for the Clinical Trials Networks.



Potential CTU applicants are invited to attend one of four pre-application meetings offered in March and April 2005. The first day of each meeting will consist of an NIH grant-writing workshop. The second day will feature an overview of CTU application requirements, procedures and the review process. Applicants may attend one or both days of the meeting. Pre-registration is strongly suggested at least one week prior to each meeting.

Bethesda, Maryland (March 7–8, 2005)

3/7 — Grant-writing workshop

3/8 — Pre-application meeting

Miami, Florida (March 17–18, 2005) *Spanish translation will be provided.*

3/17 — Grant-writing workshop

3/18 — Pre-application meeting

Johannesburg, South Africa (March 31–April 1, 2005) *French translation will be provided.*

3/31 — Grant-writing workshop

4/1 — Pre-application meeting

Bangkok, Thailand (April 20–21, 2005)

4/20 — Grant-writing workshop

4/21 — Pre-application meeting

Information on registration, accommodations and meeting logistics (including arrangements for individuals with disabilities), along with details on the Clinical Trials Networks restructuring and the full text of both RFAs is available at <http://www.niaid.nih.gov/daids/rfa/network06>.

Any questions about the CTU RFA should be directed to FY06CTURFA@niaid.nih.gov

